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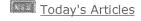
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Summary





1. <u>Veterans Journal: VA may widen coverage tied to contaminated water at Camp Lejeune ATSDR CDC Named</u>

Providence Journal -- 8/10/2015 Providence, RI

The Department of Veterans Affairs says it will begin amending its regulations to possibly cover more conditions affecting veterans exposed to contaminated drinking water at the Marine Corps base in N.C. between 1953 and 1987.

2. Gov. Andrew Cuomo calls in CDC for joint effort to battle Legionnaires' outbreak NCEH CDC Named

Examiner, The -- 8/8/2015 Washington D.C.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo has dispatched state and federal health care personnel to the South Bronx. They will assist with the deadly outbreak of Legionnaires' disease that has left 10 people dead over the past month. Over 100 other people have fallen ill due to the outbreak.

3. Navajos plan to sue EPA over river cleanup

Albuquerque Journal -- 8/10/2015 NM

The president of the Navajo Nation said Sunday that he intends to sue for "every dollar it spends cleaning up this mess" after Environmental Protection Agency employees accidentally released at least 3 million gallons of wastewater, including potentially harmful metals, into a river that breached the sovereign nation's borders this weekend.

4. Mysterious Fungus Killing Snakes in at Least 9 States

ABC News -- 8/9/2015 New York City, NY

Biologists have compared its appearance to the fungus that causes white nose syndrome in bats, which since 2006 has killed millions of the creatures and continues to spread across North America.

5. <u>How a Secretive U.S. Agency Discovered the A-Bomb's Effect on</u> People

Politico -- 8/9/2015 Arlington, VA

...President Harry Truman had signed an order to establish the Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission (ABCC), charged with studying atomic bomb survivors to determine how radiation exposure affected their health.

6. Thousands of mines with toxic water lie under the West

Deseret News -- 8/9/2015 Salt Lake City, UT

Beneath the western United States lie thousands of old mining tunnels filled with the same toxic stew that spilled into a Colorado river last week, turning it into a nauseating yellow concoction and stoking alarm about contamination of drinking water.

7. Plume from EPA mine spill likely headed for Lake Powell; visitors to be warned starting Monday

Deseret News -- 8/9/2015 Salt Lake City, UT

"This is a long-term impact. The sediment, the metals that are in that sediment are going to settle out to the stream bottom," he said. "As we have storm surges, as we have flooding events, that sediment can and likely will get kicked back up into the water. We're going to have to do ongoing monitoring."

8. Animas River mine spill: La Plata and Durango declare state of emergency

Denver Post, The -- 8/10/2015 Denver, CO

Three million gallons of water containing mining waste has poured into the Animas River since Wednesday, and it is still unclear what the environmental and health impact of the spill, caused by the Environmental Protection Agency, will be.

9. EPA orders more air quality tests for homes near Superfund sites

Los Angeles Times -- 8/10/2015 Los Angeles, CA

The EPA sampled 107 homes near the Del Amo and Montrose Superfund sites earlier this year under pressure from residents worried they are breathing dangerous chemicals seeping in their homes from a plume of tainted groundwater below.

10. How to Protect Yourself From Junk Food Science A guide for reasonable consumers

Bloomberg -- 8/10/2015 New York City, NY

Some people will believe what they want to regardless of what the evidence says. Others want to make good choices about what they eat, but the information needed to make those decisions is a cacophony of often

conflicting claims from marketers, academics, activists, and the media.

11. <u>'They're not going to get away with this': Anger mounts at EPA over mining spill</u>

FOX News Network -- 8/10/2015 New York, NY

Anger was mounting Monday at the federal Environmental Protection Agency over the massive spill of millions of gallons of toxic sludge from a Colorado gold mine that has already fouled three major waterways and may be three times bigger than originally reported.

12. Work, pedal, and be happy

ScienceDaily -- 8/10/2015 Rockville, MD

study also found that workers who pedaled more were more likely to report weight loss, improved concentration while at work, and fewer sick days than co-workers who pedaled less. ...16-week pilot study was the third and longest in a series of studies he has conducted testing portable pedal machines among workers with sedentary jobs. His interest stems from growing evidence that people who sit all day -- even if they're active outside of work -- are at increased risk for serious health conditions such as multiple chronic diseases, poorer cognitive function, and mental distress.

13. Re-thinking 'adaptive radiation,' one of biology's most important concepts

ScienceDaily -- 8/10/2015 Rockville, MD

'Adaptive radiation' is recognised as a pillar of evolutionary science. It describes the development of new biodiversity, and is triggered when a species encounters a new environment with plenty of available resources -- this is called 'ecological opportunity'.

14. Former Justice Stevens calls mercury ruling 'mind-boggling'

E&E Publishing, LLC -- 8/7/2015 Washington, D.C.

...said the high court's decision this year to invalidate U.S. EPA's air standards for mercury and other toxics was "truly mind-boggling."

15. China 'exporting' ozone pollution to US, study says

Agence France-Presse (AFP) -- 8/10/2015 Paris, FR

Progress slashing unhealthy ozone in the western United States has been largely undone by pollution wafting across the Pacific from China, according to a study published Monday. ... Scientists have long suspected this might explain why ozone levels along the US west coast remained constant despite a significant local reduction in ozone-forming chemicals.

16. Portable ultra-broadband lasers could be key to next-generation sensors

PhysOrg.com -- 8/10/2015 Internet

chemicals sometimes reveal their secrets when probed with mid-infrared wavelength lasers. Nearly all chemicals, including explosives, industrial, and pollutants, strongly absorb light in the mid-infrared wavelength region, which is often called the "fingerprint region" for chemicals.

17. Potentially toxic chemicals flood Animas River

KOAT News -- 8/10/2015 ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.

3 million gallons of contaminated water turn river orange

18. Coca-Cola Funds Scientists Who Shift Blame for Obesity Away From Bad Diets

New York Times -- 8/9/2015 New York, NY

Coca-Cola, the world's largest producer of sugary beverages, is backing a new "science-based" solution to the obesity crisis: To maintain a healthy weight, get more exercise and worry less about cutting calories.

19. Secret sanctions revealed against university hosting \$1.25 billion biolab CDC Named

USA TODAY -- 8/4/2015 McLean, VA

Kansas State University — where a controversial \$1.25 billion biosecurity lab facility is under construction — secretly faced federal sanctions last year after repeatedly violating safety regulations during its research with bioterror pathogens, records obtained by USA TODAY show.

20. The Big Reason Why America Is Turning to Renewable Energy Nation, The -- 8/10/2015 New York, NY

Employment in renewables is skyrocketing, while fossil fuels have become an economic liability.

21. The True Value of BP's \$18.7 Billion Settlement

AlterNet -- 8/7/2015 San Francisco, CA

What does the record settlement really mean to one of the world's wealthiest companies — and the Gulf Coast it is meant to restore?

22. Watch the wind swirl across Earth with this awesome map

Grist Magazine -- 8/7/2015 Seattle, WA

Though software engineer Cameron Beccario did it first with "Earth," now NOAA has launched its own real-time wind model displayed over the gorgeous backdrop of the world at night.

23. <u>Japan split over restart of first nuclear reactor since Fukushima disaster</u>

Guardian -- 8/9/2015 London, UK

Rising costs from gas and oil are sited by supporters of a programme to bring reactors back on line, but ageing plant and risks raise widespread concern

24. What you need to know about toxic algae blooms

USA TODAY -- 8/7/2015 McLean, VA

A massive toxic algal bloom thriving in the warm water along the West Coast may be the largest ever recorded, according to National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration scientists.

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